

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 890 - SB 1223**

February 25, 2021

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes a director of schools to decide on a case-by-case basis whether to assign a student in grades 7 through 12, who has been suspended or expelled for more than 10 days for certain reasons, to an alternative school or alternative program that is located on the same school grounds from where the student was suspended.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-3402, students in grades 7 through 12 who have been suspended or expelled from the regular school program must be assigned to an alternative school or alternative program.
- The proposed legislation provides a director of schools with discretion on whether to assign certain students in grades 7 through 12 to an alternative school or program located on school grounds.
- Local education agencies (LEAs) will be able to comply with the proposed legislation within existing resources.
- LEAs will be able to amend their policies in accordance with the provisions of this legislation during the normal course of business; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- No change to the Basic Education Program.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bojan Savic".

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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